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June 21, 1979

Mr. Jonnathan Bush  
76 Beaver Street  
New York, NY 10005

212-943-4950

Dear Mr. Bush:

I understand that you have been in touch with Alexander Crary of my staff to discuss a recent application to the National Endowment for the Arts from the American Shakespeare Theatre.

Mr. Crary has filled me in on the current situation in regard to the Theatre's financial stability and, in this regard, I very much regret to learn that the recent grant application was rejected.

It would not be appropriate, however, for me to intervene at this point in the Endowment's review process. I have confidence in the panel review system and urge the Theatre to reapply after considering the panel's comments.

With warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Education,  
Arts, and Humanities

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